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June Bride



MRS. GEORGE S. GAUNT
(nee Susan Palmer)

The Second Congregational Church in Attleboro, Mass., was the setting for the marriage last Saturday, of Miss Susan Palmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin W. Palmer, III, of 211 Locust St., and Ensign George Sumner Gaunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald F. Gaunt of 28 Doane Ave., Agawam. The Rev. Alvin D.

Kauffman officiated at the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an off-white English net appliqued with Alencon lace fashioned with a wedding band neckline, short sleeves, an Empire bodice highlighted with a yoke of seeded pearls and sequins. It's A-line skirt was accented with a lace border, terminating with a Cathedral length train. From her matching Alencon lace tapered capote fell a full length silk illusion veil and she carried a cascade of gardenias and stephanotis.

Mrs. Frederick K. Mengel of London, England, attended as matron of honor and bridesmaids were Misses Suzanne Milo, of Walpole, Mass., Carla Newberth, of Newton, Conn., Donna Lou Gaunt and Deborah Ann Gaunt, (Continued on Page 3)

Receives AB Degree



SAMUEL R. TYLER

Allentown, Pa. — Samuel R. Tyler, son of Rev. and Mrs. John S. Tyler of 56 Reed St., Agawam, was one of 314 students who received bachelor degrees last week at Muhlenberg College.

He majored in political science, and was a member of the football and track teams.

Leonard St. Annual Picnic Father's Day

The annual Leonard Street Picnic will take place on Father's Day, Sunday, June 15th, at St. John's Field on Leonard St., Agawam.

Picnic will start at 11 a.m. There will be games, refreshments, and a horseshoe playoff tournament, starting at 1:30 p.m. sharp. Last year's champs are ready for any challengers.

This annual picnic is for the residents of Leonard Street, former residents, and their invited guests.

This year there will be a swing and sing session, with music by THE FRANK — AL — AND TONY TRIO in the afternoon.

"Y" Barbecue Committees Named

In anticipation of a large turnout for the annual Y.M.C.A. Barbecue to be held on Saturday, June 14th, the following committees have been assigned:

Facilities Committee: Mrs. Albert J. Taupier, Smith Rovelli, Raymond LaRiviere, Robert Binnenkade, John Cassidy, John Mikszewski, and Brady Snyder.

Serving Committee: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richards, Raymond LaRiviere, Mrs. Brady Snyder, Miss Debora Snyder, Ernest Swanson, George Bickford, Harry Leonardi, and Ralph Webster.

Chef's Committee: Head Chef, Nick Zucco, Assistant Chef's of the Agawam Lion Club, Y.M.C.A. President James Loomis, and Robert Watson.

Door Prizes Committee: Mario Sakellis; Ticket Chairman: Paul Adams, Jr.; Parking Committee: Steve Cassidy and Andrew Arn- (Continued on Page 8)

'Y' Pool Asst.



MISS KAREN RUDDEFORTH

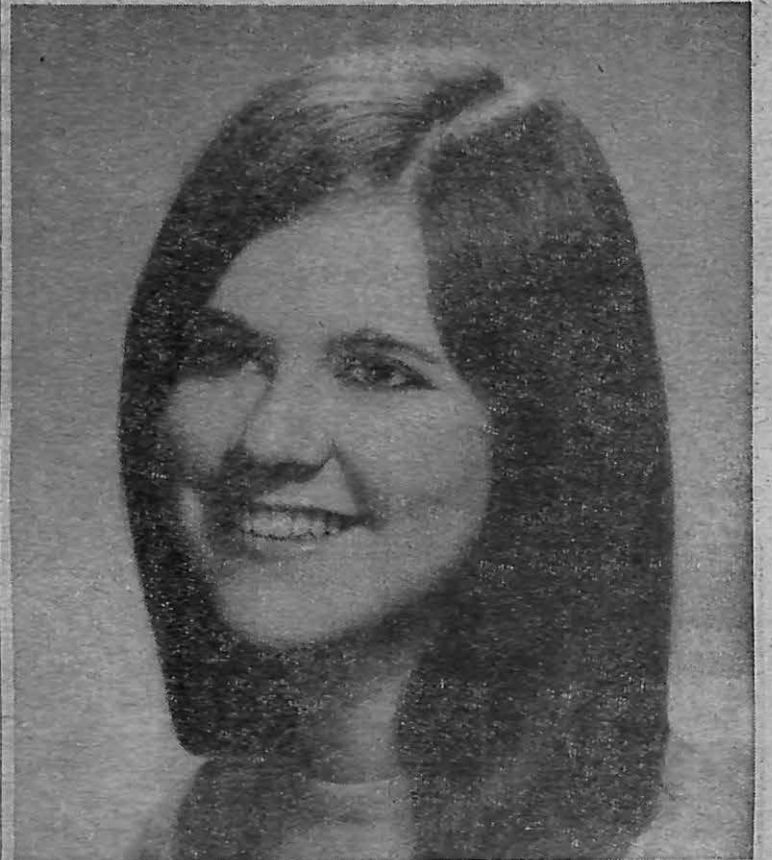
Miss Karen Ruddeforth of 23 Prentice St., Springfield, has been named assistant Aquatic Director at the local "Y" Outdoor Center Pool, it was announced by Joseph Modjelewski, Aquatic Director at the "Y".

Miss Ruddeforth has worked as assistant Aquatic Director at Camp Bonnie Brae in Otis and holds a senior lifesaving and YMCA leaders certificate.

A graduate of Classical High, Springfield, she is attending Connecticut College for women in New London, Conn.

Memberships in the outdoor pool program are now being accepted. For further information call the "Y" office.

Plan July Wedding



DIANA L. WETHERBEE

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood H. Wetherbee of Greenfield Road, Deerfield, Mass., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Diana Lynn, to Walter G. Willard, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Willard of 60 Monroe St., Agawam.

A July 4th wedding is planned. Miss Wetherbee, a 1967 graduate of Frontier Regional School, is a sophomore at the University of Massachusetts.

Mr. Willard, a graduate of Agawam High School and a 1967 graduate of the University of Massachusetts, is a Math teacher at the Agawam High School.

New Multiple Realty Service Association In Operation

Multiple Realty Service, Inc., (M.R.S.) has started operation in the Hampden County area. The organization, a corporation registered with the Massachusetts Board of Real Estate Brokers and Salesmen will provide a complete realty service to all interested parties by the united effort of licensed established brokers (also newly licensed brokers and salesmen) in all sections of Hampden County — Agawam, Springfield, Ludlow, Longmeadow, East Longmeadow, Holyoke, Chicopee and West Springfield. The combined effort of these people to service the selling, mortgaging, leasing and conveying of properties will be in strict compliance as permitted by State Statutes.

M.R.S. is a mutual association of independent brokers and salesmen and any licensed broker

or salesman is eligible to join the organization.

M.R.S. was recently incorporated. (Please Turn To Page 3)

Benevolent Society Annual Strawberry Supper June 21

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will serve their annual Strawberry Supper on Saturday, June 21st, with continuous servings from 5 to 7 p.m.

Reservations should be made by Wednesday, June 18th, with either Mrs. Orville Burt, 739-4170 or Mrs. Sidney Granger, 739-5480.

BAZAAR

In conjunction with the supper a Bazaar will be featured with tables of aprons, jewelry, books, home baked foods, candies, and fresh strawberries.

The committee chairmen are Mrs. Perry McCobb and Mrs. Richard Taylor, kitchen; Mrs. David Cesan and Mrs. Anne Jenny, ticket sales; Mrs. Peter Hamar, Mrs. Arthur Breuninger, Mrs. James Bava, Mrs. Naida King, Mrs. Doris Hastings, Bazaar chairmen.

Letter Carriers Receive Awards

Postmaster Robert R. DeForge presented safe driver awards to four letter carriers. Edward Frigghetto, seven years, John Farrington, five years, Theodore Cusson, 4 years and Thomas Danford, 2 years.

Local Council PTA's To Meet June 16

Mrs. Domenic DiDonato, president of the Agawam Council of Parent Teachers Association has called an important executive meeting for Monday, June 16th at 8 p.m. at the Agawam Junior High School.

The newly elected Presidents and Council Delegates from all Agawam PTA units as well as council officers and committee chairmen should attend this meeting.

Many important items are scheduled and action of the council will be discussed and voted on by these members.

CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam
Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, Organist
Miss Donna Ashton, Organist

Mrs. Marshall Keyes,
Sanctuary Choir Director
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,
Junior/Youth Choir Director
Sunday: 9:30 p.m. Church at
Worship... Nursery for infants,
Church School in session until
10:45 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. Fellow-
ship Hour.

Tuesday: 6:10 p.m. Youth
Choir practice; 6:45 p.m. Junior
Choir practice.

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Sanc-
tuary Choir practice.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist
Mrs. Nancy Land, Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,
Church Secretary

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Senior
Choir rehearsal at church.

Friday-Saturday-Sunday: The
Senior BYF will have their
weekend retreat at the summer
home of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin
Werthamer in Vermont.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Morning
Worship. Rev. Lockhart will
preach worship service... Sen-
ior Choir will sing.

METHODIST DAY CAMP

A non-denominational Day
Camp for children 5-12
years will be held 9 a.m. to
3 p.m. Mon. thru Fri., July
7-18th at Agawam United
Methodist Church. Fee for
the 2 week period is \$10.
Program activities include
sports, outdoor games, han-
dicraft, nature project, camp
crafts, etc. Go to camp with
your children—Senior coun-
selors needed. For informa-
tion call 734-7221 or write
P.O. Box 140, Feeding Hills.

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Monday: 7:30 p.m. The All
Church Planning Conference will
meet in Bodurtha Hall.

Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post
open.

The Senior BYF of the Aga-
wam Baptist Church will leave
for Putney, Vt., Friday, June
13th, at 5 p.m., with their advis-
ors, Mr. and Mrs. Wing, Jr., for
their retreat.

During the week end they will
plan their following years pro-
gram. They will return Sunday
evening to the church between
7-8.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,
Minister of Music

Thursday: 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Ladies' Aid Strawberry Supper.

Friday: 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary
Choir rehearsal.

Sunday: 10 a.m. Church at
Morning Worship, Mr. Bryan
preaching. There will be Nursery
and Kindergarten adult supervi-
sion.

Tuesday: 7:30 p.m. Church
Council meeting.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney,
Minister

Randall L. Nofall, Organist
Cynthia A. Meyer, Choir Director

Friday: 7:30 p.m. Meeting of
the Board of Religious Educa-
tion in the Spear Room.

Saturday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Art Exhibit in the Social Halls.
Welcome!

Sunday: 10 a.m. Worship
Service; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Art
Exhibit in the Social Halls. Wel-
come!

Monday: 7:30 p.m. Meeting of
the Ladies Benevolent Society in
Griswold Hall.

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Meet-
ing of the Board of Trustees in
the Spear Room.

ART EXHIBIT

The Feeding Hills Congrega-
tional Church will exhibit the
art work of its members and
friends on Saturday and Sunday,
June 14 and 15.

Several mediums will be on
display—oils, water colors, pen-
cil sketches, charcoals, etc. An
unusually fine group of old-
fashioned woven works will be
shown also. The times are: 10
a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday; 11
a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Refreshments will be served.
The public is cordially invited to
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Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,
Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.

Saturday—4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30
to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays—7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.
and 5:30 p.m.

Week days—7 a.m. and 5:30
p.m.

Holy days—7 and 9 a.m., 5:30
and 7:30 p.m.

Tuesdays—7:30 p.m. St. An-
thony Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday—7 p.m., Boy Scout
Troop #79 meeting.

Friday—3:15 p.m., Junior
choir practice.

Saturday—5 p.m., Public
smorgasbord in parish hall.

Sunday—8 a.m. Holy Com-
munion; 10 a.m. Festival Service;
7 p.m. Evening prayer.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FEEDING HILLS

Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.

Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday—4:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Confessions.

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30
a. m. Masses.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. Miraculous
Medal Novena Devotions.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass—7 a.m.

Saturday—8 a.m. Mass—4:30
and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday—7, 9 and 11 a.m.
Mass.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter J. Joyce

Rev. Albert Blanchard

Saturday—Confessions 4 to
5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday—6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30,
11:45 a.m.

Tuesday—5:30 p.m., Mass fol-
lowed by Miraculous Medal No-
vena.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

152 South Westfield St.

Feeding Hills

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister
Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director

Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist
Mrs. Richard Orr,
Church Secretary

Sunday: 10 a.m. Morning Wor-
ship with the service of Holy
Communion; 6 p.m. Meeting of
the Hilltoppers.

To brighten basement stairs,
carpet them with deck canvas,
an extra-tough cotton fabric
available at awning shops or ma-
rine supply houses. It comes in
31 to 33-inch widths. Glue can-
vas down with fabric cement. To
give the natural-colored fabric
a bright look as well as more
durability, paint each step a dif-
ferent eye-catching color.

Gavel Changes Hands



The West Springfield-Agawam
Welcome Wagon Club held their
annual banquet on Tuesday,
June 3rd, at the Federal Hill
Club in Agawam.

Past President Mrs. Philip
Omasta, center, presents symbol
of authority to Mrs. Lincoln God-
frey, newly elected President of
West Springfield-Agawam Wel-
come Wagon Club, as Club Ad-
visor Mrs. Leslie J. Moore, of
Agawam, looks on.

The following officers were in-
stalled for the 1969-70 season:
president, Mrs. Lincoln Godfrey;
first vice-president, Mrs. Nor-
mand St. Cyr; second vice-presi-
dent, Mrs. John Brownlee; re-
cording secretary, Mrs. Ross Mc-
Eachern; corresponding secre-
tary, Mrs. Bernard Williams;
treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Hey-
man.

Mrs. Leslie J. Moore of Aga-
wam serves as Club Advisor.

Now We Understand

Last week in on of the Spring-
field Newspaper publications, an
article was printed relating to
the transfer of a so-called con-
troversial liquor license from
River St., North Agawam to
Feeding Hills Center. I would
like to express my opinions and
emphasize the word "controversial"
as the key word in the ar-
ticle used primarily to attract at-
tention.

Such words as "controversial"
are used as newspaper corres-
pondents' "gimmicks" to appar-
ently attract the reader to the
article's content and at the same
time deceive the true facts. To
the thoughtful and understand-
ing reader, this deception has lit-
tle persuasion. But to those who
are quick to judge, it carries too
much weight.

In as much as I was the Select-
man, who made the motion for
transfer, perhaps justly, I was
the one to be besieged with tele-
phone calls and "on the Street"
criticism for voting as I did.

Most of the criticism ques-
tioned my decision in the face of
a petition or petitions bearing
over three hundred signatures. If
petitions should persuade elect-
men to vote a certain way, why
did the Springfield newspapers
neglect to print that there was
also, at this same hearing, a pe-
tition presented in favor of the
transfer bearing nearly the same
number of signatures? You see
the second petition didn't have
the same news appeal as the first
one.

Just last week I wrote that a
representative has, as his first
obligation, the responsibility to
serve all of the people and not
just the complaining minority. If
our vote, in any matter is to be
judged mainly on petitions, we
must weigh carefully the peti-
tion's value and the psychology
promoting it. Petitions are a
matter of "homework" on the
part of the originator. How many
times have you signed a petition
just because it was easier to say
"yes" than to say "no?" And at
the same time, you were hoping
someone else would make the cor-
rect decision for you?

Certainly petitions have their
place, but so to does justice.
There were several factors to
consider. Admittedly the law was
the prime factor. Economics was
another. Expressed public opin-
ion was a third.

There is no doubt that the for-
mer Central Package Store was
in possession legally of a package
store license. If conditions war-
rant they have the right to ask
for its transfer to any location
in the town provided they con-
tinue to satisfy the law. The law
in this case involved the distance
from a school house and a
church. The law does state "over
500 feet from a school house or
church" to the "premises" of the

package store. This distance as
measured by two engineers ex-
ceeded 500 feet.

The Board took the decision
under advisement while awaiting
a decision from the State A.B.C.
We sent them a map of the pro-
posal with all distances clearly
marked and asked for their inter-
pretation of the distance as re-
lated to the word "premise."

The reply was the "premise"
related to the exact spot on the
property where packaged liquor
would be sold. Since this site was
over 500 feet, the law had been
satisfied. It is my opinion that if
anyone acts within the limits of
the law, which is written ap-
proval for all of us, how can you
deny his request?

George L. Reynolds, Selectman.

Community Grange Program Tuesday

The next meeting of Commu-
nity Grange will be held Tues-
day evening, June 17th at 8
o'clock in the Grange home on
North West St., Feeding Hills.

Members are reminded that
flowers from home gardens are
requested and will be discussed
during the program.

The guest speaker is Mrs.
Charles Hodges of Agawam who
will show slides which will illu-
strate her topic of "Closeups of
Flowers."

Friends and guests of Grange
members are most cordially in-
vited to attend the program
which will begin at 8:45 o'clock.

Following the program a social
hour will be enjoyed to which
all are invited to remain.

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YMCA JOIN TODAY

Mario Sakellis,
Executive Director

MORSE "Y" LIFEGUARD
Mr. Joseph Modjelewski, Aquatic Director at the local YMCA, announces that Wayne Morse of 15150 Memorial Dr., West Springfield, has been appointed full time lifeguard for the 1969 season at the "Y" Outdoor pool.

Morse is a student at the Westfield State College and plans to teach. He has worked previously at the Royal Ambassadors Boys Camp and at the local "Y" Outdoor Center in the summer of 1967. He holds his senior life-saving certificate and is married.

INDIAN GUIDES ACTIVE
Dick Hauff, Indian Guides program coordinator of the local "Y", announces that six tribes in Agawam consisting of over 30 fathers and 40 sons had a special Nation meeting last week to elect officers. The following men were elected. Chief of the Agawam Longhouse is Robert Anderson of 43 Forest Rd., George Stevens of 45 Campbell Dr., Medicine Man, Herbert Carpenter of 99 Memorial Dr., Tally Keeper.

PROGRAMS
Programs planned by the group included a family out and swim at the "Y" on Tuesday, the 17th, from 5-8 p.m.

Two trips have been scheduled to the New Haven Railroad for a guided tour.

Two campouts at Camp Norwich and a trip to Newport Naval Base Indian Guides is a father and son program that meets in the home twice a month. The purpose of the program is to foster companionship between father and son. For further information call the Agawam YMCA.

UNICO TO SPONSOR 'LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM'
UNICO, Agawam Chapter, will again sponsor a "Learn to Swim" campaign to be held the week of June 23 through June 27th, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

This campaign is open to all youngsters in the community desiring to learn. The course is geared to familiarize children with the techniques of swimming.

Miss Karen Ruddeforth, Assistant Aquatic Director, will supervise, assisted by several instructors.

Registrations are limited to 150 boys or girls. For further information call the Agawam YMCA, 108 Perry Lane.

ST. LOUIS CONFERENCE
Mario Sakellis, the Executive Director of the local "Y" will attend the National YMCA Convention in St. Louis Missouri June 15-22nd. This is the first

Members of Springfield Board of Realtors



JOHN J. BELTRANDI

John J. Beltrandi and Albert J. Mandrioli, partners in Beltrandi & Co., Real Estate office, at 297 Walnut St., Agawam, have been accepted as active members of the Springfield Board of Realtors and the Multiple Listing Service of the Board of Realtors.

Both Mr. Beltrandi and Mr. Mandrioli are lifelong residents of Agawam. Mr. Beltrandi is a



ALBERT J. MANDRIOLI

graduate of American International College, and has been an active real estate agent since 1961, opening the present office in Agawam, with Mr. Mandrioli in 1965.

Albert J. Mandrioli entered the real estate field in 1963 and has been well known as a builder-developer. He is currently constructing homes in Westfield and the Ashley Arms Apartments in West Springfield.

The American Flag What It Stands For

Patriotic Americans should show deep loyalty by displaying flags. June 14th is FLAG DAY. Most Americans subscribe to the view of Chief Justice Vinson, who declared that freedom as we understood it permits a man to have many loyalties, based on that ONE loyalty which must be supreme, loyalty to the country itself. The symbol of loyalty of the vast majority is the: **AMERICAN FLAG.**

It would hearten many and certainly could do no harm if on FLAG DAY, each American contrived to wear either a tiny flag or a small red, white and ribbon in their lapel or visably upon his person. Further, at a time when "rally 'round the flag, boys" is a subject of derision at certain institutions, displaying the colors on flag day affords the additional attraction of an opportunity for normal Americans to differentiate themselves from the pseudo-intellectuals, a chance which thoughtful citizens will not overlook lightly. It's a grand old flag, it's a high flying flag, and forever in peace may it wave...

Red stands for courage, Valor and Strength,

White conveys Purity, Light and Peace,

conference of its type and over 10,000 are expected to attend from all over the United States.

Carl B. Stokes, mayor of Cleveland will be the opening speaker. Other well known speakers will be Dr. Gordon Lip-pitt, Dr. Alan Geyer and Art Linkletter.

Two high school students from Springfield YMCA are also attending this conference. They are Charles Small and Leslie Zanetti.

Blue represents Truth, Loyalty and Fidelity, The Stripes signify Unity of Purpose as exemplified by the the Thirteen Original States, The Stars represent our fifty States Dedicated to Freedom and Democracy.

A.D.B.

June Bride . . .

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sisters of the bridegroom.

The attendants wore sleeveless baby pink and Azalea pink silk organdy gowns with Empire bodice, styled with a ruffled neckline, bow at back waist and A-line skirts. All wore light pink picture hats accented with French ribbon matching the color of their gowns.

Jerome L. Luke of Parsitoni, N.J., served Mr. Gaunt as best man while ushering duties were assumed by Joseph B. Palmer, brother of the bride, Robert Brewer of Port Chester, N.Y., Frederick K. Wyland of Springfield and Franklin W. Palmer, IV, of Attleboro.

The bride attended Colby Jr. College and Wheelock College and the bridegroom attended Western New England College and is in the U.S. Naval Air Training Command.

Following a wedding trip, destination unknown, they will reside in Texas.

New Multiple . . .

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ated under Massachusetts law. Its elected officers Frederick G. Lavin of East Longmeadow, president; Joseph V. Lapierre of Springfield, vice president; Allan W. Taylor, West Spring-

field, club secretary; Joseph D. Daly, Longmeadow, treasurer. William A. Koob, 27 Stewart Lane, Agawam, Tel. 734-5719, is the local Agawam area representative for the newly established organization.

Mr. Koob invites inquiries concerning real estate transactions (also interested brokers and salesmen in joining M.R.S.) to call 732-1558 or 734-5719. M.R.S.

has many available listings in the Hampden County area and desires additional listings from persons interested in selling their real estate holdings.

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ALWAYS HOLD THE FLAG HIGH



Flag Day 1969

Of the thousands of words written about the flag some stand
through the ages:

Woodrow Wilson, in 1912: "I cannot look upon the flag without
imagining that it consists of alternate stripes of parchment upon
which are written the fundamental rights of man, alternating with
the streams of blood by which those rights have been vindicated
and validated."

And five years later in 1917 Theodore Roosevelt: "We can have
no 'fifty-fifty' allegiance in this country. Either a man is an Amer-
ican and nothing else, or he is not an American at all. We are akin
by blood and descent to most of the nations of Europe; but we are
separate from all of them... and we are bound always to give our
wholehearted and undivided loyalty to our own flag, and in any
international crisis to treat each and every foreign nation purely
according to its conduct in that crisis."

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celerator pedals of a car.

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of the trousers," said Philip C.
Wallwork, the Automobile Legal
Association's safety director.

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ionable, we would like to see the
girls roll up their pant legs while
driving," he said.

"We are sure that milady
would not want her next latest
fashion to be a wooden box,"
Wallwork concluded.

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Thierry and Iwo Jima and Hill No. 875.

And it isn't out of style right here and now, either.

So go ahead. Lift your hat or put your hand to your heart
when your nation's flag goes by. You're a better American and a
better human being when you do.



June 16

through

June 18

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Orange juice, cold
cut grinder (ham, bologna,
cheese), lettuce - tomato slices,
mayonnaise, potato chips, peanut
butter sandwich, banana cake
w/butter icing, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, meat
ball grinder, garden salad w/
spinach greens and tomatoes,
peanut butter sandwich, fruit,
milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice,
hamburg on roll, mustard, relish,
catsup, sliced onion, candied
sweet potato, peas/carrots, pea-
nut butter sandwich, assorted de-
serts, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, hamburger and
gravy, mashed potatoes, bread/
butter, buttered carrots, ice
cream, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, ham/cheese on
sesame roll, potato chips, tossed
salad, butter cake w/chocolate
sauce, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, grilled
frankfurts on bun, homemade
baked beans, cabbage/carrot
salad, fruit cup, peanut butter
sandwich, milk.

DANAHY

Monday: Juice, frankfurt on
roll, carrots, applesauce cake,
milk.

Tuesday: Macaroni w/meat
tomato sauce, bread/butter,
green beans, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, tuna sail-
boat, tossed salad, potato chips,
prune spice cake, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Juice, frankfurt on
buttered bun, relish, mustard,
potato chips, buttered carrots,
applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti w/meat
tomato sauce, lettuce tomato sal-
ad, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, grilled
hamburg on buttered roll, relish,
catsup, cheese cube, whole ker-
nel corn, fruit, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Hamburg gravy on
whipped potatoes, buttered leaf
spinach, bread/butter, apple-
sauce, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, frank-
furt on hot buttered roll, baked
beans, Harvard beets, fruited
jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice,
spaghetti w/tomato meat sauce,
buttered peas/carrots, cheese
cube, bread/butter, chocolate
pudding w/topping, milk.

Birthday cup cakes for June,
July, August.

PHELPS

Monday: Orange juice, ham-
burg on buttered roll, onion, rel-
ish, catsup, buttered carrots,
fruit/cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, frankfurt on
buttered roll, mustard, relish,

baked beans, cabbage carrot sal-
ad, cake w/chocolate frosting,
milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburger
gravy, mashed potatoes, green
beans, bread/butter, fudge bars,
milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Orange juice, ham
salad in grinder roll, buttered
carrots, potato chips, banana
cake w/topping, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, ham-
burg on buttered bun, catsup,
buttered corn, cheese sticks,
fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday, Macaroni w/meat
sauce and tomatoes, buttered
green beans, bread/butter, des-
sert, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, ham-
burg w/gravy on buttered rice,
buttered diced carrots, peanut
butter on rye, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, steam-
ed franks on buttered bun, mus-
tard, relish, cheese sticks, pea-
nut butter on rye, vegetable, ap-
plesauce, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice,
meat ball grinder w/sauce, glaz-
ed sweet potatoes, buttered spin-
ach, chocolate brownie, milk.



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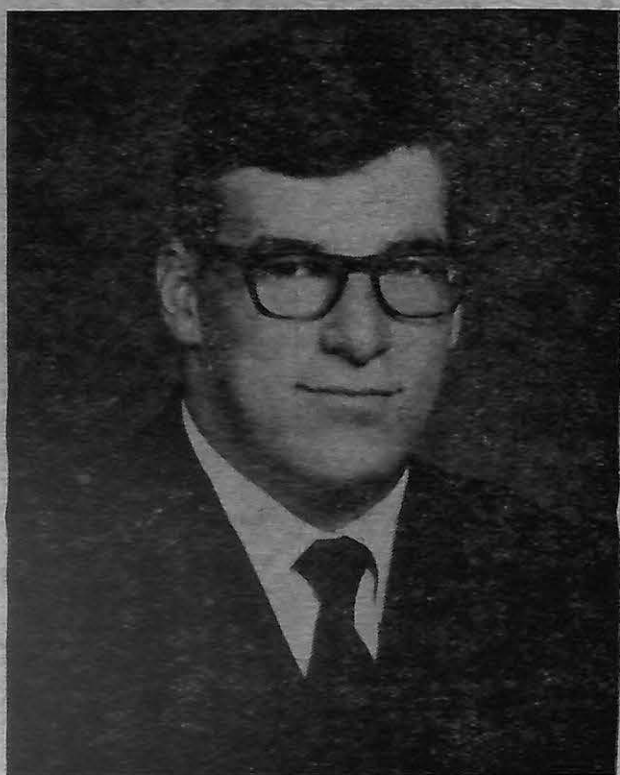
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Seventeen \$100 Benjamin Phelps Memorial Scholarships were awarded to members chosen from the graduating class by the Agawam Council Parent Teacher Association at the Awards Assembly held at the Agawam High School last Friday morning. Presentations of the awards were made by Mr. Raymond Harris, principal of the Agawam High School to students

pictured above left to right, front row seated: Barbara Cordi, Marcia Kida, Kristine Raschi, Diana Corbin, Marjorie Tomski, Susan Brown, Judith Locke, Susan Egbert, Sherry Sausville; back row same order: Michael Fazio, James Brown, Bruce Nunn, Henry Meade, Alan Wright, George Bickford, Alan Edwards and absent, Barbara George, when picture was taken.

Manilus School Graduate



CADET VICTOR J. MORENO, JR.

Cadet Victor J. Moreno, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor J. Moreno, Sr. of 19 Anthony St., Agawam, graduated from Manlius School, Manlius, N. Y., June 1st. Manlius School has completed its 100th year as the oldest boys' military preparatory school of its size in the state. He has been accepted at the University of Mass. for the fall semester.

VWWI CARD

PARTY WINNERS

The third game in the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory. Winning door prizes were Rose Noonan, Frank DeSimone, Pearl King and Lawrence Duclos.

Mystery prize winners were Helen Nicols, Lawrence Duclos and Betty Allard. Ace prize winner for the ladies was Mildred Cole and Louis Franchere for the men.

The following were awarded high score prizes: Ladies: — 1st Selina Beauchane, 2nd Florence Lacemark, 3rd Antoinette Trudell, 4th Emma Piacenga; Men: 1st Peter Lacemark, 2nd George Pierce, 3rd Harold Landers, 4th Wilfred Racette.

The next card party will be held at the same place . . . same time . . . same day . . . see you there!

A farmer was taking no chances with hunters and painted the name of each of his farm animals on its ribs. It didn't do much good. No horses, pigs or dogs were killed, but two nimrods blasted a big hole in the farm tractor. It had the name John Deere on its side.

Loyal Order of Moose

AGAWAM LODGE

No. 1935



Gov. and Mrs. Ernest Dumond, Sr. and Trustees and Mrs. Arthur LaBelle will be among the 8000 or more conventioners who will be attending the 81st annual international convention of the Loyal Order of Moose to be held at Mooseheart in Chicago on June 29-30 thru July 3.

Richard J. Daley, Mayor of the City of Chicago and Richard Ogilvie, Gov. of the State of Illinois send greetings and a most cordial welcome to all 1969 Moose Conventioners saying the State of Illinois and City of Chicago are happy to play host to them . . . The Loyal Order of Moose . . . an organization that has distinguished itself by service to its fellow man.

After the inspection of Mooseheart, the business sessions will be held from Monday through Thursday mornings with panel sessions slated the first three afternoons. These workshops are designed to acquaint Moose delegates with every phrase of the Moose program and to provide them with ideas and suggestions to improve their respective lodges.

Gov. Dumond and Trustee LaBelle will serve as delegates from Lodge #1935. Social activities will include: Pilgrim Breakfast — Monday morning; Fellowship Breakfast — Tuesday Morning; Quartet competition and Civic Affairs program — Monday evening; 25 Club Party — Tuesday evening; and the Grand Ball on Wednesday night.

On June 3, Tuesday, State Director Charles E. Cook attended the regular General Meeting held at St. Theresa's Hall and complimented the officers for a job well done.

The annual KID'S PICNIC is to be held at the Sacred Heart Pavilion, Springfield St., (can be entered by Poplar St.) on July 27th. Do you all remember the food, fun and games? Keep this date open for a day with the kiddies. (More on this later)

Door prize winners were: S. Hebert, J. B. Doyle, George Mitchell, Mrs. E. A. Plumb and Earl Chisholm.

LITTLE BITS

FATHER'S DAY is June 15th — Suggested gifts for his day . . . PAY his Moose dues, Buy him Moose jewelry — key chain medallion, lapel button, 9 o'clock ceremony ring, billfold, tie and cuff link combination, money clip knife or a tie. The "GREEN RECEIPT" shows he cares.

Have you seen the word Moose spelled out in large letters across the ball players uniform? NOW they need your support and cheers. See you at the ball games . . . MF

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Then we clock him.

If he does the right job in the right time, bully for him.

He does it again.

Only after he passes the test twice do we feel he's mastered that part. And can go on to another. But this is only part of the grind.

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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

PERIBONKA PARK, Peribonka, Quebec, Canada — Herman Mutti, Henry Guidi, Agawam, Larry Fountain, East Longmeadow, and this writer arrived Friday, May 30, at Kay Langevine's camping area. We did not come to camp for the week however, Kay rents out a cottage and we secured this by reservation around the first of the year. The weather was cold. Everything was about two weeks late and the trees were just budding.

Upon arrival, we ask the expected question: "How are the fish hitting, and are large Quaniche in feeding on the sand bars yet?" The answers were anything but heartening. Nobody was fishing the landlock salmon on this side of Lake St. Jean so we would have to find out for ourselves. Find out we did!

Herm Mutti and I were a team, while Larry and Henry occupied the other boat. From the very first day, we caught quality size salmon. Henry broke the ice with a 5-lb. 10 oz. beauty; Larry caught a 5-pounder the last day of fishing, and Herm boated a 4½ lb. monster during the week. My largest fish was an even 4 pounds. Three pound fish were generally the rule. In fact, the fish on the whole were larger than in the past years.

On one excursion on the lake (believe me each trip was an excursion), the lake was as temperamental as women. One time it would be as smooth as a mirror, than within an hour the water would be a turbulent mass of white caps with the wind blowing around 20 miles per hour. This would alter and we would be bobbing up and down on 3½ to 4 foot swells. The lake is 26 miles wide, so the rule of thumb is to constantly keep a watchful eye on the sky and water. In a matter of seconds the lake could become very treacherous and a serious situation could develop.

It was while we were bobbing up and down on large swells that the thrill of the entire week happened. Mike Delucci, mail carrier from Agawam, and Ray Barberie, who were up for the same week of fishing, just passed our boat when Herm shouted that he has a big one on. I reeled in my line and started to reel in Herm's

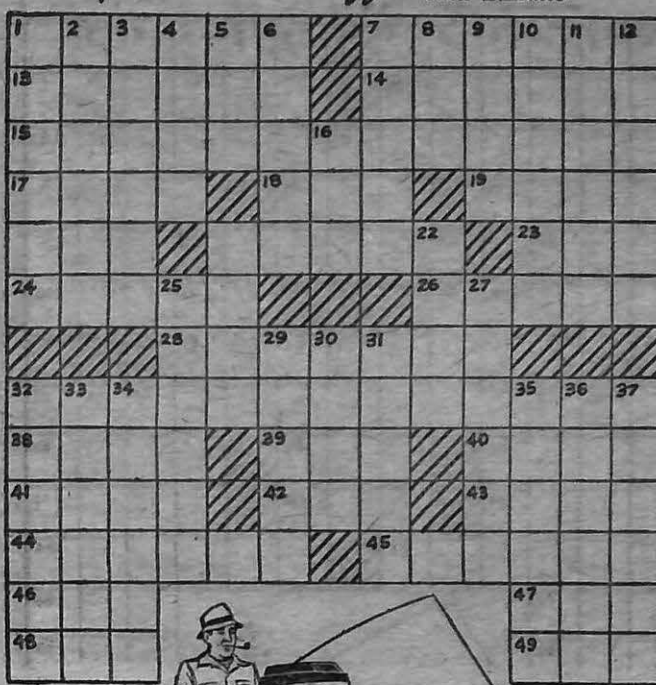
second line when a salmon belted the mooselook and we had a double going. Fortunately we had discussed a situation like this happening and what the procedure would be. One of us had to net his fish first and then net the next fish, because the man operating the motor had his hands full just keeping the boat lined up right with the large swells threatening to send the boat every which way. Herm was the operator, so it was my responsibility to net the fish... then the fun began! The salmon would not stay in the water. He would come out in a tremendous rush and tail walk across the surface. All this time, Herm's fish is doing the same thing, and he has to use all of his skill to keep the fish on the lure — one little error and the mooselook wobbler is flying back towards you. The battling fish must of jumped about 6 times before I could get him near the side of the boat. I thrust the long net handle under my right arm... held the rod high in my left hand and tightened up on the line to get the fish to jump again. Up he came and started his tail walking... to his surprise... I held the net in his path and in he plopped. One fish was aboard. Herm brought his salmon within range and I scooped him up. We had done the impossible, boated a double on salmon.

Another humorous incident occurred the last day of fishing. Larry and I teamed up about 3 in the afternoon. It was raining very hard, but the wind was at a very low velocity. In our hurry to get out to the point where the salmon had concentrated, we left the net on the beach. In a case such as this, you can forget about trying to boat a salmon with your bare hand. If you tried to lift him out of the water he surely would slip off of the hooks and head for the deep blue. I searched my tackle box and came up with a long lure with a treble hook attached to it. Larry figured we could use the rig like a gaff and bring the fish into the boat.

A boat with two local fishermen in it came up along side our craft just as a 3½ pounder struck my lure... the struggle was on. The Peribonkarites drifted off and witnessed the combat. It came time for the fish to be put in the boat, the other craft was about 100 feet away. The occupants could not distinguish the lure in Larry's hand. Larry made one large swing toward the fish with the treble hooks, sunk them into the thrashing salmon and deposited the fish in the boat. I looked up towards the other boat and thought the fishermen were going to fall out. They were gestulating wildly with their hands. To them it looked like Larry had just reached down into the water and grabbed the salmon. I bet a fish story was related that night over the supper table in two

Sportsword Puzzle

By Jack Luzzatto



ACROSS

1. Fishes while cruising slowly.
7. The Apaches, — of Indians.
13. Thrown in football.
14. Colorful So. American bird.
15. Closed spool fishing tackle (2 wds.).
17. Elephant trophy.
18. What a Roman craps shooter wants.
19. Isaac —, Nobel Prize physicist.
20. European war theater.
21. Fresh or salt water
23. Magog's partner.
24. Good judgment.
26. Biggest fishing grounds.
28. Arrow expertise.
32. Moor the boat for fishing (3 wds.).
38. Play friskily.
39. Fumble.
40. Famous publisher of Time Magazine.
41. Away from the windward.
42. Geologic epoch.
43. Philippine palm fiber.
44. Boat protector, in

DOWN

1. Tries the food.
2. Public opinion.
3. Prayer.
4. Chain part.
5. Milk.
6. Great — Lake, in Canada.
7. Where to put old furniture.
8. Rocky crag.
9. Regretful person.
10. The frozen era (2 wds.).
11. Discoverer of the Pacific.
12. Yachting flag.
18. Gentleman.
21. Saucy.
22. Hear it in a fog.
25. Drained of energy.
27. Rode a bike.
29. Hall a hero.
30. Man of the hour.
31. Merits by effort.
32. Windy currents.
33. Logrolling contests.
34. Presaged.
35. Leap over an obstacle.
38. Of the eyes.
37. Fall, as the tide.

homes in Peribonka.

The fishing was fabulous. Even with the many storms during the week, we were able to fish at least a couple of hours during the day. It seemed like the fish were just waiting for us to come out, for we never had to troll long before we had a fish on. No doubt this was the best week I have spent up there. I am looking forward to returning next season.

Inter-Church Baseball Award Scholarships

Agawam Inter-Church Baseball League President James De Vecchi announced the following selection for \$100. Scholarship Awards for 1969.

Selections were made by a screening committee from a large group of applicants. Selection was based on a combination of tion in extra-curricular and civic activities, athletic achievements and future educational plans.

To be eligible, applicants must have played in the Inter-Church Baseball League at least one full season and accepted at an accredited college, Jr. college or technical institute.

Awards were presented to: Paul Vella, 10 Alfred Ct.; George B. Bickford, 35 Elbert Rd.; Robert A. Waniowski, 417 South Westfield St.; James D. Valenti, Jr., 379 Springfield St., and Alan K. Wright, 364 Suffolk St., all of Agawam.

Mother rushed into the playroom when she heard her five-year-old son screaming and found that the baby daughter was pulling his hair.

"Never mind," she tried to comfort him, "your baby sister doesn't understand that it hurts you."

She hadn't been out of the room for a minute when more shrieks sent her running back. This time the baby was crying.

"What's the matter with the baby?" she asked the boy.

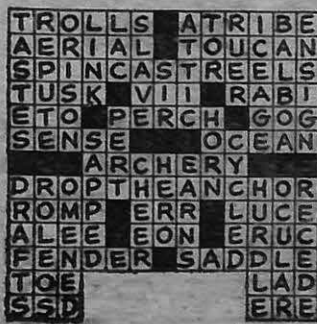
"Nothing much," he replied calmly. "Only now she knows."

Lilliput Play-School Graduation

Lilliput Play-School held an unusual outdoor-indoor graduation on the school grounds at 943 River Rd., Agawam, May 29th, at 7 p.m. Eager parents and relatives watched a short preview as 26 children, looking and acting like cherubs, marching out to their seats for the opening exercises. A sudden, freak wind caused a brief cessation in the program until children and adults were gathered indoors where the exercises were completed under emergency spotlights.

The fifth graduating class from Lilliput awarded diplomas to: Debbie Bailey, Debby Beauregard, Mary Bracci, Brian DeForge, Jeffrey Deliso, Martha Leary, Walter Littlehale, Anthony Liguori, Robert Psholka, Kimberly Stoll and Michael Wands, all from Agawam; Lynn Brightman, Clark Dore, Steven Favreau, Christina Ferraro, Timothy Guarnieri, and Crissy Parmalee from Feeding Hills; Holly Dolan, Leslie Fisk, Chip Rosenblatt and Nancy Richey from Longmeadow; Christopher and Thomas Moylan from Westfield; John Dion from Chicopee; Kathleen Sheehan from West Springfield, and James Walker from Springfield.

Registrations for fall are being accepted now and through July. Please call Mrs. Deliso, at the above address, for information.



COLLEGE NEWS

Mrs. Diane (Brame) Cronin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wyly Brame of Florida Dr., Agawam, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, and certificate in education by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. She has accepted a teaching position in suburban Rochester.

Commencement exercises were held at Nazareth College, Rochester, N. Y., over Memorial Day weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Wyly Brame and their sons, John and Wyly, Jr., attended the graduation exercises.

Boulder, Colo. — Stephen J. Cummings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cummings of 136 Regency Park Drive, Agawam will receive his Master of Arts degree tomorrow, at the 141st commencement exercises of the University of Colorado.

Philip DeForge, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip DeForge, Sr. of Florida Drive, Agawam, became the fourth recipient of the President's Cup given annually by American International College, to the person who has made a major contribution to the AIC athletic program during the year, based on ability, character and sportsmanship.

DeForge began his football career at AIC as a defensive end and became the starting offensive fullback as a junior.

Bay Path Junior College conferred degrees on 177 graduates at commencement exercises held recently at the college in Longmeadow. Commencement speaker was Dr. Neil V. Sullivan, Massachusetts Commissioner of Education, who spoke on "Narrowing the Generation Gap."

Among those receiving diplomas from Bay Path President Douglas D. Perkins and Dr. Jeanette T. Wright, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college, were four students from Agawam.

Lorie L. Hodge, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett J. Hodge of 70 Bailey St., received an associate of arts degree, majoring in pre-teaching.

Julie A. James, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. James of 30 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills, was awarded an associate of arts degree, majoring in liberal arts.

Receiving associate degrees in executive secretarial science were Cynthia A. Bishop and Kathleen L. McCave. Miss Bishop, the daughter of Mrs. Jean Bentley of 12 Haskell St., was editor-in-chief of the yearbook and elected to "Who's Who In American Junior Colleges." Miss McCave is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. McCave of 14 Wilson St.

Earthquakes On Mars?

PASADENA, Calif.—A small black box soon may tell scientists if there are earthquakes on Mars.

The box is a miniature seismometer, the instrument used to monitor earthquakes. The California Institute of Technology scientists hope to put it aboard the Viking spacecraft, scheduled to orbit Mars in 1973.

The scientists want to find out what caused the Martian craters photographed in 1965 by Mariner 4. They think they may have been caused by quakes or meteors or both.

The champion athlete in bed with a cold was told that he had a temperature.

"How high is it, doctor?" he wanted to know.

"A hundred and four."

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Round The Town



By Ann Nael
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Mrs. Mary Stellato of 550 Mill St., Feeding Hills, is a patient in the Mercy Hospital, in Room 229, recuperating from major surgery . . . cards would be nice!

Attending the Graduation Party of Miss Cindy Graig on June 8th were over 50 friends and relatives. A plentiful smorgasbord was served at the Agawam Veterans of Foreign Wars #1632 Pavilion on South St., starting at 1 p.m. Games were plentiful for all age groups including baseball, darts, and horse shoes. Miss Craig, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graig of School St. was the recipient of many gifts including large cake decorated in the school colors, pearls and a camera. Miss Craig was working part time at the local nursing home, Heritage Hall but will attend a modeling school in September.

Mrs. Leslie J. Moore, Jr., Advisor, Mrs. Michael Kope, Mrs. Lincoln Godfrey, Mrs. John Brownlee and Mrs. Bernard Williams of the West Springfield Agawam Welcome Wagon Club attended the annual Regional Conference of Welcome Wagon Clubs at the "Lennox House" in Lennox, Mass. on Wednesday June 4. Club members from Western Massachusetts, Eastern New York and Vermont exchanged ideas through seminars.

PROMENADERS

SQUARE DANCE



Peg and Bob Shoemaker

The annual steak roast and square dance that will climax and conclude the square dancing program for this year for the Promenaders will be held at 6:30 p.m. June 14 at the Sacred Heart Pavilion.

There will be a smorgasbord supper with members cooking their own steaks. Al Bessette of Walnut St., the club caller, will call the square dancing for the evening and that country music will drift over the fields as colorful skirts and shirts interweave in pleasant maneuvers.

Carl and Fran Link are chairmen of the steak roast and are being assisted with arrangements by Bob and Maddy Dugan, Ed and Teddie Moriarty and Elmer and June Roosa.

Anita and Tino Davilli of North St., will officially take over as program chairman having been elected to that office at the annual meeting following the dance of May 9. They succeed Doug and Adele Cochrane of Springfield in that office, and June and Elmer Roosa were elected refreshment chairmen for six months, to succeed Vint and Gwen Gregory. The club thanked the retiring officers for the excellent jobs they performed while in office.

The Executive Committee met Sunday night at the home of the secretaries, Barbara and Jack Kupec on Taft St. Feeding Hills. Business for the year, with the exception of the steak roast was concluded, and new and retiring officers held informal discussion. The increase in the cost of the janitorial services at the school was noted, as well as the fact

'In Tribute To His King'

(FORT WILLIAM HENRY)

By RICHARD JOHN CURRY

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The warm September sun beat down upon the detail of men who labored ceaselessly to establish the log fort at the head of Lake George, known to the French as Lake St. Sacrament. The distant cry of a startled crow carried across the deep, blue waters of the Lake. Somewhere, lurking in the dark forests of the western shore, an enemy patrol might be scouting the activities of this British expedition into the North country! The men paused, gazed warily down the Lake and returned to their work.

Just a few days before William Johnson had led his command of English colonial troops in an engagement against the French under Baron von Dieskau. During the series of battles that ensued on September 8, 1775, the French were finally defeated. Eventually they were to retreat northward to Ticonderoga where they began work on the construction of Fort Carillon (Ticonderoga).

If Johnson had failed in his effort to seize the enemy stronghold at Crown Point, at least he had managed to extend the British frontier beyond Albany. Now he was intent on building a permanent fort to secure his recent victory at the Battle of Lake George. In November, 1775, Johnson named the new outpost, Fort William Henry, in tribute to King George's grandchild.

Henceforth events were to occur that would embellish the name of William Henry forever in the pages of American history. On September 12, 1775, Rogers' Rangers set out on their first scouting expedition from the Fort. The purpose was to reconnoiter the French at Crown Point. Robert Rogers was to become a legend through his daring exploits during the years of the French and Indian Wars. Although the Rangers would later relocate their base of operations to Fort Edward, they were not to be strangers at Fort William Henry.

In 1757, the Fort has assumed greater military proportions with the arrival of the 44th and 48th Regiments. These were Irish troops that had been stationed in the South. Major William Eyre of the 44th, became commander of William Henry.

The severe changes in climate in this northern frontier were to take their toll of the poorly equipped Regulars. Many of the soldiers were to die during their first year, but weather was not the primary concern of Major Eyre. The French still proposed a constant threat to the English outpost!

The enemy was not long in deciding upon a plan of attack to rid themselves of the increasing menace of the English fort. Realizing the garrison to be mostly Irish, they planned to attack Fort William Henry on March 17th, the Feast Day of St. Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland. The French were hopeful the soldiers of the garrison would be steeped in celebration on this day, their thoughts numbed by the spirit of the sutler's shop rather than by the cold March winds that blew across the Lake. The French were not to be disappointed, but the Fort was still alert to the impending danger of a surprise attack.

The Fort garrison was able to withstand the attack. Shortly thereafter, the enemy force retreated harassed by the biting chill of a driving snowstorm. The first attack on Fort William Henry had been a failure.

In time, Major Eyre was replaced by Lieutenant Colonel Monro who brought a number of replacements for the 44th and 48th Regiments. Among the new troops stationed at the Fort was the famous 42nd Highland Regiment, better known as the "Black Watch." At this time the garrison was besieged by a smallpox epidemic. More men died!

In July, 1757, General Montcalm amassed an army of 8,000 soldiers. Gathering at their new Fort at Ticonderoga, the army of French and Indians set out to attempt a second and more successful assault against the English position.

For six days Montcalm's soldiers held Fort William Henry at bay. Finally on August 9th, the English surrendered their Fort under the condition they would be safely escorted to Fort Edward providing they were not to take up arms against the French for at least eighteen months.

Now began an infamous day in history. The Indians in Montcalm's army craved for English blood and scalps. Contrary to the orders of Montcalm, the Indians turned loose all their savage fury against the helpless column of prisoners as it marched out of the doomed Fort! Countless numbers of the English were massacred by the drunken horde.

In an effort to subdue the blood thirsty savages, Montcalm and his officers threw themselves among the slaughter. Risking their own lives, the French Commander and his comrades finally restored order, but the damage had been done! Unfortunately the Marquis de Montcalm was to assure the responsibility of this disgraceful action although he was not entirely to blame.

Following the massacre, the General gave orders to set fire to the Fort and level her to the ground. The French withdrew in shameful victory. Fort William Henry had been completely destroyed.

It wasn't until 1758 that the ruins of the Fort served as a gathering place for Abercromby's army prior to his unsuccessful attack against Fort Carillon. During this time, General Abercromby built earthworks on the original site of the Fort. Again in 1759, General Amherst camped here during the second and victorious British expedition to Carillon.

Over the span of a few years, Fort William Henry had witnessed some of the most exciting episodes of the French and Indian Wars. Armies of three nations were to come and go from the head of Lake George. The names of colonial soldiers from New England were to become household words as a result of their heroic activities

that there will be a new square dancing radio show presented locally in the fall.

Questionnaires are expected to be circulated among the members at the steak roast soliciting opinions on future club activities.

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in and around the Fort. What American can forget Robert Rogers or John Stark? As a final tribute to the history of this proud Fort, George Washington visited the site in 1783. Even today the spirits of those brave men who fought at Fort William Henry mingle among the verdant forests of Lake George.

— POSTSCRIPT —

Once again Fort William Henry guards the Water Highway to the North. Today the restored Fort offers an interesting collection of relics from the French and Indian War period. Among its archaeological excavations, the visitor can view the actual skeletal remains in the Military Cemetery adjacent to the Fort. Along with guided tours, authentic gun drills are carefully re-enacted for your pleasure and entertainment.

Nearby Fort William Henry is the Fort George Park overlooking Lake George. Within it's ruins, the tourist can walk along the Pathway of History where once trod such notable figures as: Father Isaac Jogues, Sir William Johnson, King Frederick, Ephraim Williams and Jeffrey Amherst! The Park is carefully marked with towering monuments to commemorate it's history. It is free of charge to the public.

Fort William Henry is open to the public from May to October, from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. There is an admission charge.

To get to Fort William Henry simply follow the Mass. Turnpike, North to the New York Thruway, North to Exit 24 at Albany. Then proceed along Route 87, the Northway, to Lake George Village. The Fort grounds are located at the Southern entrance to Lake George Village. Free parking is provided.

For further information on Fort William Henry, write to: Fort William Henry, Lake George Village, New York.

NOTE: The photograph above shows excavation of the original stockade within the present restored Fort. The charred stumps of the posts can be seen along the base of the right embankment, evidence of Montcalm's destructive work!

Richard J. Curry

End-of-Season Sale At Trading Post

On Wednesday, June 18th, The Trading Post at First Baptist Church, Agawam Center, will hold its annual "End of the Season" close out sale, before shutting its doors for the summer.

The racks and tables are still filled with seasonal garments for all ages, and small nick-nacks and household equipment which must be disposed of at reduced prices to avoid storage until fall. The Trading Post is completing its 12th year of service to church and community.

The Post will re-open in September at a time to be announced.



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V.F.W. Post 1632 and Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSENETTE

On May 8th I promised YOU this . . . RED SKELTON RECALLS THE DAY TEACHER EXPLAINED THE PLEDGE. Red Skelton did a little monologue on one of his programs (Jan. 14) that brought him more than 30,000 letters. That's news. He has sent more than 350,000 copies of the pledge and Columbia Records released a single of it. He will repeat it on Channel 3, Tuesday, and will recite it in Independence Hall on July 4th. It's news especially in these trying days when a man gets out of bed in the morning and worries about the divisiveness of the nation, and the divisiveness of the people. I think that the monologue speaks for itself. (by P. Molloy of Chicago). It went as follows:

"Getting back to schools, I remember a teacher I once had. I only went through seventh grade in school. I left home at ten years old because I was hungry. I'd work in the summer and go to school in the winter."

"I remember this one teacher. To ME he was the greatest teacher, a real sage of my time. He had such wisdom. We were all reciting the pledge of allegiance, and he walked over. Mr. Laswell was his name. He said: 'I've been listening to you boys and girls recite the pledge of allegiance all semester and it seems to me as though it is becoming monotonous to you. If I may, may I recite it and try to explain to you the meaning of each word?'"

"I — me, an individual, a committee of one."

"PLEDGE — dedicate all my worldly good to give without self pity."

"ALLEGIANCE — my love and my devotion."

"TO THE FLAG — our standard, old glory, a symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves, there is respect because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job."

"OF THE UNITED — that means we have all come together."

"STATES — individual communities that have united into 48 great states. Forty-eight individual communities with pride and dignity of purpose, all divided with imaginary boundaries yet, united to a common purpose and that's LOVE for country."

"OF AMERICA . . . AND TO THE REPUBLIC — republic, a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And the government is the people and it's from the people to the leaders to the people."

"FOR WHICH IT STANDS . . . ONE NATION — meaning, so blessed by GOD."

"INDIVISIBLE — incapable of being divided."

"WITH LIBERTY — which is freedom and the right of power to live ONE'S own life without threats, or fear of some sort of retaliation."

"AND JUSTICE — the principle or quality of dealing fairly with others."

"FOR ALL — which means boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine."

Skelton then said that his

teacher asked the students to repeat the pledge, this time with meaning. And he added:

"Since I was a small boy, two states have been added to our country and two words have been added to the pledge of allegiance: UNDER GOD. 'Wouldn't it be a pity if someone said: 'That's a prayer,' and that should be eliminated from our schools, too?'"

LITTLE BITS

Mrs. Mary Stellato of 550 Mill St., Feeding Hills, is a patient in the Mercy Hospital in Room 229 recuperating from major surgery . . . cards would be nice.

'Y' Barbecue . . .

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old; Special Services: Girl Scouts from Junior Troop #70, and Leader Mrs. Stanley Edwards.

Serving as co-chairmen of the Y.M.C.A. annual Chicken Barbecue and Open House are Nick Zucco and Brady D. Snyder.

The Barbecue will be served from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the "Y" grounds on Perry Lane. The entire outdoor center will be made available to all attending including the pool, tennis courts, horseshoes, volley ball, basketball and pony rides.

A special attraction will be the Springfield Aquilines performing at 4 p.m. at the out-door pool. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

LEGAL NOTICES

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT AGAWAM, MASSACHUSETTS
June 1, 1969
Specifications for 1½" and 2½" in. Fire Hose for the Fire Department may be obtained at the office of the Fire Chief. Bids will be received by the Chief up to 12:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 19, 1969 at which time they will be opened and read at the Chief's office at 1200 Springfield Street, Agawam, Mass.
HARRY W. SCHNEIDER, Chief (June 12)

May Is Record Sales Month for Volkswagen

BOSTON — New England Volkswagen dealers sold more new Volkswagens in May than during any month in history, increasing their sales for the month by 17.7 percent over sales in May, 1968.

"May was the first full month since the settlement of the prolonged dock strike that our dealers had full supplies of new cars," Robert S. Clark, general sales manager of Volkswagen Northeastern Distributor, Inc., said.

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Trestle Club Scholarship Winners



Scholarship winners were announced at the Agawam Trestle Club's annual Strawberry Festival. Pictured above, left to right: Mr. Robert Shields, treasurer, Steven Meister, Carol Goodwin, recipients of the award, and David Skolnick, president of the club. Each recipient received \$150. Miss Goodwin will attend South-eastern Massachusetts Technological Institute in North Dartmouth, Mass., and Mr. Meister will attend Defiance College in Defiance, Ohio.

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